

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the Conference Report on H.R. 1, Elementary and Secondary Education Act Authorization.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Thirteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1835–1847. **Pages S13464–65**

#### Measures Reported:

Report to accompany H.R. 2559, to amend chapter 90 of title 5, United States Code, relating to Federal long-term care insurance. (S. Rept. No. 107–128)

S. 1379, to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish an Office of Rare Diseases at the National Institutes of Health, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 107–129)

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#### Measures Passed:

**Bill Enrollment Corrections:** Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 289, directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make technical corrections in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 1, Elementary and Secondary Education Act Authorization, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Daschle (for Kennedy/Gregg) Amendment No. 2640, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S13422**

**African Elephant Conservation:** Senate passed H.R. 643, to reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation:** Senate passed H.R. 645, to reauthorize the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Asian Elephant Conservation:** Senate passed H.R. 700, to reauthorize the Asian Elephant Conservation Act of 1997, after agreeing to a committee amendment.

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**Federal Water Pollution Control Anniversary:** Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 80, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the 30th anniversary of the enactment of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.

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**Honoring the Marquis de Lafayette:** Senate passed S.J. Res. 13, conferring honorary citizenship of the United States on Paul Yves Roch Gilbert du Motier, also known as the Marquis de Lafayette.

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**Year of the Rose:** Senate passed S.J. Res. 8, designating 2002 as the “Year of the Rose”. **Page S13643**

**Elementary and Secondary Education Act Authorization Conference Report:** By 87 yeas to 10 nays (Vote No. 371), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1, to close the achievement gap with accountability, flexibility, and choice, so that no child is left behind, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Federal Farm Bill:** Senate continued consideration of S. 1731, to strengthen the safety net for agricultural producers, to enhance resource conservation and rural development, to provide for farm credit, agricultural research, nutrition, and related programs, to ensure consumers abundant food and fiber, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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#### Rejected:

Lugar (for McCain) Amendment No. 2603 (to Amendment No. 2471), to provide for the market name for catfish. (By 68 yeas to 27 nays (Vote No. 373), Senate tabled the Amendment.)

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Cochran/Roberts Amendment No. 2671 (to Amendment No. 2471), in the nature of a substitute. (By 55 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 374), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Smith (NH) Amendment No. 2596 (to Amendment No. 2471), to provide for Presidential certification that the government of Cuba is not involved in the support for acts of international terrorism as a condition precedent to agricultural trade with Cuba. (By 61 yeas to 33 nays (Vote No. 375), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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#### Pending:

Daschle (for Harkin) Amendment No. 2471, in the nature of a substitute.

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Wellstone Amendment No. 2602 (to Amendment No. 2471), to insert in the environmental quality incentives program provisions relating to confined livestock feeding operations and to a payment limitation. **Page S13423**

Harkin Modified Amendment No. 2604 (to Amendment No. 2471), to apply the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, to livestock production contracts and to provide parties to the contract the right to discuss the contract with certain individuals. **Page S13423**

Burns Amendment No. 2607 (to Amendment No. 2471), to establish a per-farm limitation on land enrolled in the conservation reserve program. **Page S13423**

Burns Amendment No. 2608 (to Amendment No. 2471), to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to establish certain per-acre values for payments for different categories of land enrolled in the conservation reserve program. **Page S13423**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following actions:

Motion to proceed to the Daschle motion to reconsider the vote (Vote 368) by which the motion to close further debate on Daschle (for Harkin) Amendment No. 2471 (listed above) failed on December 13, 2001, was agreed to, and the motion to reconsider was then agreed to. **Page S13423**

By 54 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 372), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on Daschle (for Harkin) Amendment No. 2471, listed above. **Page S13423**

Torricelli Amendment No. 2597 (to Amendment No. 2596), to provide for Presidential certification that all convicted felons who are living as fugitives in Cuba have been returned to the United States prior to the amendments relating to agricultural trade with Cuba becoming effective, fell when Smith (NH) Amendment No. 2596 (to Amendment No. 2471), listed above, was tabled. **Page S13423, S13456**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Wednesday, December 19, 2001, with a vote on the motion to close further debate on the pending Daschle (for Harkin) Amendment No. 2471 (listed above), to occur at 1:15 p.m. **Page S13643**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Nancy Dorn, of Texas, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Emmy B. Simmons, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development. (New Position)

Brian Michael Ennis, of Nebraska, to be United States Marshal for the District of Nebraska for the term of four years.

Chester Martin Keely, of Alabama, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Alabama for the term of four years.

John William Loyd, of Oklahoma, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Oklahoma for the term of four years.

William Smith Taylor, of Alabama, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Alabama for the term of four years.

David Donald Viles, of Maine, to be United States Marshal for the District of Maine for the term of four years.

14 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

A routine list in the Army.

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**Privilege of the Floor:**

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**Record Votes:** Five record votes were taken today. (Total—375)

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**Recess:** Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 9:36 p.m., until 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, December 19, 2001. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S13643.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Everet Beckner, of New Mexico, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy, and 66 military nominations in the Army and Air Force.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Vickers B. Meadows, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Administration, and Diane Leneghan Tomb, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, both of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Tomb was introduced by Representative Portman.